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SUBJECT: URUGUAY'S INVITATION TO OASGA

REF: (A) STATE 5850, (B) STATE 7781

1. ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL ALONCE DELIMON, HAITI'S POSITION ON URUGUAYAN INVITATION WILL BE CONSISTENT WITH ITS RECENT ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM. IN MEETING JANUARY 12 DELIMON PICKED UP ON OUR REFERENCE TO HAITI'S RECENT RATIFICATION OF PACT OF SAN JOSE AND SAID THAT HAITI STANDS BY COMMITMENT IT ASSUMED IN ADHERING TO THE CONVENTION.

2. IT WAS OBVIOUS, HOWEVER, IN OUR DISCUSSION WITH DELIMON THAT THE MINISTRY IS NOT AU COURANT OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE URUGUAYAN INVITATION IN WASHINGTON. AT ONE POINT DELIMON SAID HE WAS AWAITING A REPORT FROM THEIR REPRESENTATIVE.

3. IN VIEW OF DELIMON'S IGNORANCE OF THE STATE OF PLAY AT OAS HEADQUARTERS WE DID NOT TRY TO ELICIT A MORE PRECISE EXPRESSION OF HAITIAN POSITION ON FURTHER TACTICS. DELIMON DID NOT USE PROCEDURAL ARGUMENT NOR DID HE MAKE REFERENCE TO SANTIAGO GA.

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4. IF DEPARTMENT HAS NOT ALREADY DONE SO WE URGE THAT IT APPROACH AMBASSADOR SALOMON FOR SUPPORT IN OAS GENERAL COMMITTEE STUDY OF URUGUAYAN OFFER. DESPITE HIS ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO SUPPORT MONTEVIDEO SITE SALOMON MAY BE WILLING TO JOIN IN MOVE TO OBTAIN AN ACCEPTABLE URUGUAYAN QUID PRO QUO.

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